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Re: Verizon South, Inc./Frontier Communications

Reply to: Columbia
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Dear Mr. Terreni:

This letter will serve to confirm public media reports that Verizon Communications, Inc. has entered into an agreement with Frontier Communications to sell its local wire line operations in fourteen states, including Verizon South, Inc. which operates in South Carolina. The transaction includes Verizon's switched and special access lines in South Carolina, as well as internet service and long distance voice accounts.

The transaction with Frontier does not include services, offerings or assets of Verizon Wireless, Verizon Business (formerly MCI, Inc.), Federal Network Systems LLC, Verizon Network Integration Corp., Verizon Global Networks, Inc., or Verizon Federal Inc.

Verizon and Frontier have committed to create a smooth transition for this important transaction in South Carolina. Frontier has a strong record of high levels of service and innovation on meeting the communication needs of rural customers.

Verizon and Frontier are working in an effort to complete the transaction in approximately twelve months. The companies will continue to advise the Commission about the status of the transaction during the transition period. Verizon and Frontier will make all appropriate filings with the Commission as certain aspects of the proposed transaction are finalized between the parties.

Please feel free to contact me or Stan Bugner at any time the Commission or staff have any questions.

Sincerely.

With kindest regards, I am

Steven W Hamn

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